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OILSEED PRODUCTION PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the districts of Andhra Pradesh selected for the implementation of Oilseeds Production Programme;

(b) the amount earmarked and released to Andhra Pradesh during the last two year and for 2001- 2002;

(c) the oilseed crops covered by this programme in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) the production achieved during the last two years as a result of this programme in Andhra Padesh and the steps contemplated to be increased in the production in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a): The districts of Andhra Pradesh selected for the implementation of Oilseeds ProductionProgramme (OPP) are Adilabad, Anantapur, Chittoor, Cuddapah, East Godavari, Guntur, Karimnagar,Khammam, Krishna, Kurnool, Mahboobnagar, Madak, Nalgonda, Nellore, Nizamabad, Prakasam, Rangareddy, Srikakulam, Visakhapatnam, Vizianagaram, Warangal, West Godavari.

(b): The amount released to the State of Andhra Pradesh for implementation of Oilseeds ProductionProgramme (OPP) during the last 2 years and the allocation made for the year 2001-02 is as under:

(in lakhs)

Year	Amount released
1999-2000	836.81
2000-01	805.00
2001-02	805.00 (allocation)

(c): The oilseed crops covered under Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP) in the State of AndhraPadesh are groundnut, sunflower, sesamum, safflower, castor and niger.

(d): The total production of oilseeds achieved during the last 2 years in the State of Andhra Pradesh is as under:

Year	Production (000 tonees)
1998-99	2465.8
1999-2000	1470.4

The fall in production during the year 1999-2000 is due to drought prevailing in the State. In order to increase the production of oilseeds in the State, financial assistance by way of subsidies is being provided on various inputs to the farmers under Oilseeds Production Programme with a view to motivate the farmers to take up oilseeds cultivation on a large scale.